

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John Willis

Examiner: Lauture, Joseph

**Serial No:** 09/728,027 Filing Date: 11/30/00

Art Group: 2819 Docket No: SIG000064

Title: IMPROVED SWITCH CAPACITOR CIRCUIT AND APPLICATIONS

THEREOF

Date: 6/10/

Honorable Commissioner of JUL 1 5 2003 Patents and Trademarks, OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL

PROGRAMS EXAMINER

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.181 (a) BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE AN OFFICE ACTION

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

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  The above referenced patent application was expressory

  USPTO on November 30, 2000. 1. mailed to the USPTO on November 30, 2000.
- 2. The filing of the above referenced patent application was docketed in accordance with the then current docketing policy of the undersigned's firm and/or company. A copy of which is attached hereto as attachment "A".
- On May 16, 2003, the undersigned received a telephone call from Examiner Lauture who informed the undersigned that a response to an office action having a mailing date of 4/1/2002 pertaining to the above referenced patent application was not received. The undersigned indicated that he was unaware that an office action had been mailed for the above referenced patent application.
- On 5/21/03, a notice of abandonment was mailed to the 4. undersigned.

#### SHOWING OF NONRECEIPT OF AN OFFICE ACTION

- 1. The undersigned attests that a search of the file jacket and docketing records have been made and that the above mentioned office action of 4/1/2002 was not received by the undersigned.
- 2. A copy of the docketing record where the non-received Office action would have been entered had it been received and docket is attached hereto as attachment "B".
  - a. The docketing report shows, on the Patent Prosecution form, the first prosecution response received was the present notice of abandonment.
  - b. Had the office action been received, it would have been entered in the first row, where the action would have been "1<sup>ST</sup> office action response", the mailing date of the office action would be entered in the action initiation date, the action due date would be automatically calculated to be three months from the mailing date, and the action bar date would be automatically calculated to be six months from the mailing date.
  - c. Once a response to an outstanding office action is mailed, the mailing date of the response is entered into the action filed date field.
  - d. The database includes a script to determine all outstanding responses due on a per attorney basis and

on a firm basis. The script determines whether the current row of the patent prosecution form includes a date in the action initiation date and does not include a date in the action filed date. If this is true, the corresponding action appears in the prosecution report. Attached is a copy of my current prosecution report as attachment "C".

e. Since the above mentioned office action was not received, it was not entered into the patent prosecution form and thus would not appear on my prosecution report today or at any time in the past.

For the foregoing reasons, the applicant respectfully requests that the abandonment of the present patent application be withdrawn for failing to receive an office action.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By:

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